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SOVIET UNION MILITARY-ECONOMIC REPORT

Translated from the German Report

Dated: 14 March 1943

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PREFACE

During the Second World War the German Signal Intelligence Control Center of the Staff of the Chief of Army Signal Service (HNW,LNA) issued a series of reports to show the USSR military-economic situation as reflected in Russian internal plain language traffic. These reports appeared at short, irregular intervals, usually six per month, for the period October 1942-March 1943. Example 1943.

It is planned to issue a complete set of translations of the reports beginning with the most recent and working backward, but omitting those already translated by the translated by the items was added by the translated this only in the last eighteen reports, inclusive. Since the original material was in Russian, an effort has been made when translating the German to determine the original Russian term wherever possible. This is facilitated by the Russian fondness for abbreviations. In these translations into English the probable meaning of the abbreviation will be given in parenthesis the first time it occurs in each report.

14 March 1943

The Soviet Union

Military-Economic Report

(Based on domestic radio traffic)

Personnel Situation

(1) In 1942 there were trained in Tiflis:

Nurses 204 Sanitation 470 assistants

(2) On 1 March there were in training at the motor-tractor stations:

Tractor	operators	2066
Combine	_ n	61
Combine	asst. opera-	108
	tors	
	for repair	73
W	ork	
ech anics:		

In schools for mechanics:

Mechanics	67
Foremen	70
Combine operators	109
Truck drivers	66
Persons for repair work	4.3

- (3) The NKRF Offices in Astrakhan received 30 locksmiths and lathe operators.
- (4) In the NKRF trade school of Pavlodar 174 men have completed training. Of these people 106 are being assigned for work in the workshops and 20 locksmiths will be put into the technical section. The remaining people must be assigned according to the needs of the ship repair yards in Omsk and Semipalatinsk.

Fuel Supply

(5) Tiflis. There is required in March for the Hydraulic Works Directorate:

			Mot	or oil	1	ton
			Pet	roleum	1	n
			Lig	roin	0.	.2 "
Factory	No.	316	Gas	oline	5	tons
11	11	610		m	12	tt
	11	570		tv	5	tt
Artille	ry S	Supply		11	1	88
(Concer	ning	armar	nents			
	plan	its)				
For Spec	ial	Trade	Division	Ħ	45	11

for Directorate for Technical Supply of the Oil Industry	Gasoline Petroleum Motor oil Solyarka	80 tons 40 " 175 "
Truck transport	Gasoline	1.5"

(6) On 9 March NKVD received the following which was allotted for March:

Truck gasoline 7 tons
Petroleum 1 ton

(7) Erivan requires for the second quarter:

Mazut	4500	ton
Motor oil	300	Ħ
Petroleum	600	Ħ
Gasoline	6400	п
Ligroin	150	Ħ
Machine oil	100	n
Avtol	50	Ħ
Solidol	30	Ħ
Nigrol	15	11
Viscosin	10	88
Cylinder oil	30	11
Transformer oil	30	11
Compressor oil	30	11
Turbine oil	10	n
Motor oil	10	11
Axle oil	17	15
Solyarka	30	n
Soap oil	100	11

- (8) Moscow orders that the consumption norms of fuel in the tractor work be maintained in 1943 in Erivan Oblast' at the level of the past year. The establishment of norms for individual motor-tractor-stations and raising the norm are permitted for no operation.
 - (9) Nalchik requires for the second quarter:

Avtol	10	tons
Gasoline	175	17
Ligroin	11	17
Petroleum	73	11
Oil	1104	11
Mazut	111	11
Machine oil	24	11
Solidol	1	ton
Cylinder oil	2	tons
Petroleum	120	11

for the population

(10) In Ordzhonikidze the city electricity plant is shut down because of the lack of diesel oil. 370 tons of diesel oil are required.

- (11) Ardona reports that because of the lack of fuel and lubricants the plowing in the sowkhoz is interrupted.
 - (12) Receipts in March include:

NKRF Stalingrad	Petroleum	1 Ton
-	Gasoline	0.3 *
NKRF Saratov	R	0.5 #
	Petroleum	0.2 *
NKRF Omsk	Truck Gasoline	1.2 *

Supply of Clothes and Textiles

- (13) Tiflis has been granted 420,000 meters of military-coat material.
- (14) Shipments to the Georgian Prison Directorate in the second half of February include:

Linen	
Summer shirts and trousers	3,000 pair
Caps	3,000 items
Half furs for the Georgian	144 *
Militia	
Fur vests	148 "
Padded trousers	60
Mattress covers	200

(15) Requirements for the silk mill include:

for	the	lst	quarter	silk	material	5,000 m.
Ħ	11	2nd	R	*	R	15,000(?) m.

- (16) 68,000 meters of sackcloth must be supplied by the Armenian Textile Supply. The Armenian Textile Supply, however, is not in the position to fill this order.
- (17) Goods manufactured for the Technical Supply of the Oil Industry in February include:

Half furs	74	
Felt boots	2077	pairs
Special shoes	1057	Ħ
Leather vests	1162	
Warm underwear	725	
Trousers	61	
Gloves	2000	pairs
Tarpaulin-suits	205	
Cloaks	15	
Cords	12	

(18) Tiflis reports: from 1 August 1943 (sic) to 1 March 1943 in Georgia the following articles of winter clothing were collected for the Red Army:

(1. Collected 2. Delivered to the NK for Defense 3. Distributed to local units)

<u>Object</u>	<u> </u>	2	3	
Half furs	3,958	3057	901	
Felt boots	12,249 pairs	12165	84	
Wool gloves	62,223 "	61650	564	
Wool socks	66,739 **	66578	958	
Wool stockings	31,050 "	28607	-	
Heavy underwear	12,873	11845	1628	
Padded jackets	2,968	2480	50 9	
Padded trousers	5,504	4178	1317	
Ear caps	6,314	4777	1500	
Fur & leather gloves	4,907	3677	1240	
Underwear	7,154 " *	7152	<u>-</u>	
Sheepskin vests	1,567	1567	-	
Sheepskin	9,439	-	-	
Wool	5,563 kg.	-	-	

^{*} Note: (By the item underwear the designation "pair" is not exactly clear.

Probably by this "pair" is meant shirt and pants)

- (19) Labor Bureau Erivan received 50,000 meters of the authorized 100,000 meters of material.
- (20) Ordzhonikidze can receive no yarn from Baku because of transport difficulties. Makhach-Kala, Factory "Third International", received shipment order.
- (21) Armenian NK for Light Industry in Erivan received a grant of 240 tons of yarn.

Material Supply

- (22) NKRF Kujbyshev has to deliver 150 m. of steel cable of 8 mm. diameter to the communications center in Moscow.
- (23) NKRF Plant Kujbyshev is permitted to use a total of 17 tons of sheet metal.
- (24) NKRF Stalingrad received 355 m. of cable and 2,000 picks from Moscow, 2,000 picks from Murom, and insulators from Gorkij. In addition the telephone station from Ulyanov to Stalingrad is to be set up (Message not clear).
 - (25) NKRF Astrakhan received:

Electric	conducting wire	10 tons
Bronze	•	4.5
Nickel -	white metal	3.9 "
83%	11	1.6 "

- (26) For Baku, NKRF, or Astrakhan, NKRF, the Volga Tanker of the Iran-Soviet-Transport Company is to accept 60,000 meters of tarpaulin.
- (27) Novosibirsk is to receive rubber-cord-bands, 250 times 6 (cm?) from Sverdlovsk.
- (28) On 10 March the completion status at the wharf in Voskresenskoe was as follows:

Barge 231 - 37.5% 243 - 29.4% 266 - 4.7%

(29) NKRF enterprises in Stalingrad are ordering:

in Kujbyshev	Office tables	20
	Chairs	50
	Tables, plain	50
	Stools	300
in Molotov	Office tables	20
	Chairs	50
	Tables, plain	50
	Stools	300
in Gorodets	Office Table	70
	Chairs	50
	Tables, plain	50
	Stools	300

(30) Chardzhou reports the transport capacity of the fleet in April (in million ton / kilometers):

Total	13.5
including tanker	3.4
for Farab	2.8
" Termets	0.8
" " Chalysh	0.1

(31) Omsk received the grant of 174,600 rubles for 1942 and 191,100 rubles for 1943 for the construction of barges.

Reconstruction

(32) Stavropol reports the number of trucks on 1 March:

	Autobus		ZIS-16	2
	Ħ		ZIS-5	1
	n		GAZ	1
	1.5 ton	Truck	ZIS-5	3
	1.5 "	n	ZIS-21	3
Repairs included:				

Autobus

Truck

(33) The reconstruction program for the harbor of Stalingrad provides for an expenditure of 3,600,000 rubles in the third quarter.

expenditure of 9,000,000 lubies in the unity quarter.

ZIS-58

ZIS-21

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